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WASHINGTON, May 18.—At a meeting at the Metropolitan A. M. E. church in this city, held for the purpose of discussing the race problem, ex-Senator B. K. Bruce, in the course of a short address, eard that the negro in this country occupied an anomalous position. He was a freemay, a citizen, and, as far as the organic law was concerned, a common sharer in the grand civilization of the country. But he labors under the disadvantages involving the abridgment of his most sacred rights. These are referable mainly to an unjust estimate of him as a man.

Mr. Bruce said that the moral and intellectual character of the black race attested their ability to take in and maintain civil ization. When they were freed it was asserted that they would not maintain themselves; that they would be indolent, issuantly incentions, and a vexatious public burden. What had they done? Their isbor upholds and undergirds the industries of nearly a dozen great states. It was said they would retrograde morally. This the speaker, with some warmth and feeling, denounced as utterly false and untrue. The colored people, he knew, were not as moral as they should be, but for that matter, no people were. But to deny the modern development of this people was to flaunt the lie in the face of every man whe has given this matter any investigation.

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It was said by the opponents of this people that they could not be educated or aroused from their mental letharsy. Let the schools and colleges throughout the land and the men and women who have attained distinction, said Mr. Bruce, answer this prediction.

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The proposed colonization scheme was
impracticable. After seventy years of
hard work the colonizationists had only
succeeded in sending 20,000 negroes to
Africa. The negro would not go. He is
here, and here to stay to contribute his
share to the development of this country,
and to exercise the prerogatives of the
American citizen.

In this Mr. Bruce said he differed from the Indian who sullenly refused to accept our civilization, and was on this account being slowly exterminated; different from the Chinese, who refused to give up his Orientalism, and was now almost pro-hibited.

It is here on his native soil, under his It is here on his native soil, under his flag, that the negro must solve the race problem for himself. He has accomplished much, said Mr. Bruce, but must accomplish more. He is gradually pushing himself into every field of activity, but must not be content to follow the industries that simply give him wages. He must make greater progress and aspire to a more gerfect manhood. Already, said Mr. Bruce, his intellectual development has continue to intermeddle with all knowledge and learn the lessons yet unlearned, and

morthern brethren rock the radle for us we will be children, and forty years hence we shall be as dependent on northern help as now."

The speech created a stir and provoked a long and heated discussion.

THE ALIEN LABOR LAW.

New York, May 18.—Superintendent Weber has determined to ascertain whether it is possible to enforce at this port that portion of the immigration laws which prohibits the importation of alien contract labor. On Monday last he detained at the barge office eleven Austrian immigrants of that kind, who, according to their own statements, had been brought here under a contract to work for two companies in Chicago. Their passage to this country had been paid by an agent or contractor, who had agreed with them that they should receive a certain fixed rate of daily wages in Chicago.

As in these cases there seemed to be a clear violation of the law, Mr. Weber gave orders forthe detention of the men. They were not shipped back to Austria at once. The secretary of the treasury was notified of their arrival and of the advisability of keeping them here as witnesses in a suit to be brought against the violaters of the

keeping them here as witnesses in a suit to be brought against the violaters of the alien contract labor law. Mr. Weber de-sired that a trial might be held in order that the exact application of the provisions of the law might be obtained for his guidance. It is probable that the cases will be tried in Chicago, where the companies charged with illegal practices are to be There have recently been other cases of

There have recently been other cases of a similar nature at the barge office, but the law has not yet been applied to them. The treasury department has been apprised of the fact that seven braid-workers were brought here from Bremen under contract to a factory in Paterson, N. J. The testimony of one or more of the men has been obtained that their passage to this country was paid by an agent of the factory, with whom they had made a contract and by whom all arrangements were made.

whom all arrangements were made. Reports have also been sent to the treasury of the arrival of iron puddlers under contract for work in Louisville, and of glass-cutters and mirror-makers under contract for Philadelphia, and of glove-makers for this state, and of miners for the coke and coal regions of Pennsylvania. In view of all the facts already collected it is understood by Superinten-dent Weber that the enforcement of the alien contract labor law will be a difficult

business at this port.

Up to this time since the 1st of April, about 400 undestrable immigrants have been debarred by the inspectors at this port. The number is not large, but it is large enough to serve as a warning to all steamship companies to be careful about bringing over passengers whom they will be compelled to take back.

The fruit canners of California have formed a combine, embracing two-thirds of the canneries in the state.

Up crippled hogs and selling them at a good profit. He drank a great deal and was very despendent. heir to the Russian tarone will

ed a hearing in the lottery mandamus

Tue treasury department bought 415,000 ounces of silver yesterday at prices rang-ing from \$0.980 to \$0.082.

Ing from 30,980 to 80,983.

The works of the Johet Enterprise company, of Johet, Mo., makers of barbed wire, wire nails, etc., burned yesterday morning. The loss is \$125,000, with an insurance of \$30,000. A force of \$30 men were thrown out of employment.

KILLED BY LOCUSTS.

ALGIERS, May 18.—The French savant,
M. Knuckel Herculais, the president of
the Ethnological society, who was employed on a government mission of investigating the locust plague in this province,
has met a most horrible death. While has met a most horrible death. While examining the deposit of locust eggs at the village of Seileral he was overcome with fatigue and heat and fell asleep on the ground. While sleeping he was attacked by a swarm of locusts. On awakening he struggled desperately to escape from the living flood. He set fire to the lusect laden bushes near him, but all his efforts proved ineffectual, and when finally the locusts left the spot, his corpse was found. M. Herculais was a member of the French academy, and the author of several valuable works on insects.

BASE BALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE. AT CHICAGO AT CLEVELAND.

Base hits Cleveland 17, New York 14. Errora-Cleveland 8, New York 8. Pitchers-Grauber and Rusie. AT CINCINNATE .....0 0 0 0 0 2 Base hits—Cincinnati 4, Boston 5, Errors—Cincinnati 1, Boston 2, Pilchers—Duryes and Nichols,

AT PITTSBURG, ...... 9 3 0 0 0 1 6 1 6 Base hits-Pittsburg Is, Philadelphia II. Errors-Pittsburg S, Philadelphia 6, Pitchers-Galvin and Gleason.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION. AT BALTIMOR 8 1 2 1 1

Sase hits—Athletics 7, St. Louis II. Errors—Athletics 4, St. Louis 3. Pitchers—Chamberiain and Stivatts. AT BOSTON.

Base hitz-Boston 9 Louisville 8. Errors-Boston 1, Louisville 6. Pitchers-Daily and Ehret, 

Base hits—Washington 6, Columbus 10. Errors—Washington 5, Columbus 1. Pitchers—Foreman and Gastright. WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

AT MINNEAPOLIS.

1 2 0 0 5 0 0 2

Base hits - Milwaukee 5, Omaha II. Errors - Milwaukee 4, Omaha 3, Pitchera - Smith and Ettelforg.

PENSIONS. WASHINGTON, May 18.—Pensions have been allowed to the following applicants:

greater progress and aspire to a more ogrefeet manhood. Aiready, said Mr. Brage,
his intellectual development has confounded his enemies, but he must continue to intermeddle with all knowledge
and learn the lessons yet unlearned, and
do the work that remains undone.

CHARLOTESVILLE, Va., May 18.—At the
Virginia Baptist State convention representing 200,000 colored Baptists, Dr. McVickers, of Toronto, Canada, in urging the
raising of a fund of \$5,000 for two colored
seminaries, drew a gloomy pleture of the
colored people of the south, asserting that
they were worse off now in many sections
than they were thirty-five years ago. He
then spoke of what the American Baptist
Home Missionary society desired to do for
the people of the state. In a reply to Dr.
Movicars, the Rev. J M. Armistead (colored) of Petersburg, Va., said:

"Tam opposed to any more such help
from the north. I would say to the home
mission beard of New York, put your
money somewhere else and let us help ourselves. If we are ever to stand alone now
is the time to do so, but as long as our
northern brethren rock the radle for us
we will be children, and forty years hence
we shall be as dependent on northern help
as now."

Each May Sand W. Hutfl. Peter P. McDonald, J. Nelson Burton, Each K. BowFlow, Henry Burfard, Joseph Ackley, Elisha
R. Heston, Derick Brinkerhoff, Thomas
Flynn, James B. Fox, Eugene Bolysrd,
Peter Schnack, James H. Morgan, Levi F.
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Wi KANSAS.

Original-John Burton, Thomas P.

For a disordered liver try BEECHAM'S

THE DENVER CONGRESS. DENVER, Col., May 18.—The Transmississippi congress will meet at the Fifthteenth Street theater tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. Several hundred delegates have already arrived. Among them is President II M. Fishback, of Fort Smith, Ark. Every transport for the believe in ed. Ark. Every incoming train brings in additional delegates, and bytomorrow morning it is expecied that over 1,000 will have arrived, together with as many visitors. The object of the congress is to unite the

people of the states and territories west of the Mississippi river for the promotion of their common interests. MACKEY SUED FOR LIBEL. NEW YORK, May 18.—The bitter feud between the houses of Mackey and between the between the houses of Mackey and Bonygne, California millionaires, which has been raging on both sides of the At-lantic for several years, has at last taken definite form. Bonygne has brought suit against Mackey for damages in proportion to the magnitude of Mr. Mackey's re-doubtable pile—damages which make all other damages, sink into insignificance other damages sink into insignificance. But Bonygne does not stop at damages alone. He charges criminal libel as well.

SUICIDE. Kansas Ciff, Mo., May 18.—Andrew J. Whipple, a "hog scalper" at the Stock Exchange, committed suicide by drowning himself in a watering trough in one of th pens at the stock yards this morning. He was a well-known character about the Ex-change. His operations consisted in buying

marry Princess Helen, fourth daughter of Prince Nicholas, of Montenegro.

A Methodist church costing \$40,000 was

CHICAGO, May 18.—The situation as between the Northwestern railroad and its CHICAGO, May 18.—The situation as be-ween the Northwestern railroad and its ischarged switchmen remains unchanged. A Methodist church costing \$40,000 was dedicated at Lawrence, Kan., on Sunday. Hishop Ninde, of Topeka, and Bishop Warren, of Donver, were present.

The wife of Nat C. Goodwin, the comedian, has been allowed \$75 a week alimony, pending her application for a divorce.

The supreme court of Louisiana has retreated to the discharged men as they are satisfied will prove faithful and efficient employes, provided they make application for reinstatement at once. The business of the road continues to move as usual.

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SCALDED TO DEATH.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 18—A fearful tail-end collision occurred on the Louis-ville and Nashville road this morning at o'clock near Phelan's Station, fifty two miles north of here, between two freights. Engineer B. Edmunds and Fire-man Lester Brown were scalded to death, and Brakeman J. M. Costello killed and burned up. The curs were loaded with oil and merchandise and were burned up.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, May 18.—Lord Edward Cav-endish, youngest son of the Duke of Devon-shire, and member of parliament from Derbyshire, died today from the effects of

French academy, and the author of several valuable works on insects.

THE POPE'S ENCYCLICAL.

ROME, May 18.—The long-expected encyclical of the pope upon social questions has been distributed among all the Catholical for the protection of the Jows. The Jows are now able to move about freely, coiles of the Roman church. The synopsis recently published presented the main moints of this paper.

THE CORFU RIOTS

London, May 18.—The Ghesto quarter of Corfu is still surrounded by a military cordon for the protection of the Jows. The Jows are now able to move about freely. The total number of victims of the Corfu riots is fifteen killed and twenty-five who have died from privation.

A PERSECUTED QUEEN.

The Attempt to Expel the Queen of Servia from Belgrade Results in a Riot.

BELGRADE, May 18.—The prefect of this city, who was charged by the regents with the duty of expelling ex-Queen Natalie from Servian territory, went to the latter's residence today, and, in spite of her earnest protests, compelled her to enter a carriage, which drove towards the quay on the Danube, where the royal yacht was moored.

moored.

The news that the ex-queen was really to be expelled from Servia had, in the meantime, spread throughout Belgrade, and had reached the students quarters. The latter promptly turned out in force, and as the carriage containing the unhappy lady was being driven towards the Danube it was surrounded by a crowd of students who selzed the horses' heads, brought the vehicle to a stand still, and loudly cheered the royal prisoner.

The students then detached the horses from the carriage and dragged the vehicle back to the ex-queen's residence, cheering loudly as they passed through the streets. The prefect, assisted by a large force of

The prefect, assisted by a large force of gendarmes, tried in vain to regain posses-sion of the ex-queen, and several collisions took place between the gendarmes and the

The regents are anxiously discussing the next step to take, as it is evident that serious popular disturbance may be caused by any hasty action on their part, now that it is evident that the ex-queen is not so friendless as some people supposed. Aware of the strong sympathy felt for Natalie by the opposition party in the skuptschina, and by the public in general, the government had the streets in the vicinity of Natalie's residence cordoned early cinity of Natalie's residence cordoned early in the morning, and the public was excluded from those streets. After Natalie had been taken back to her residence by the students, the cabinet assembled immediately, and at 9 o'clock tonight the ministers were still in session.

The citizens and merchants generally side with the excusen. The residence of

side with the ex-queen. The residence of Natalie is defended by students. Intense Attalle is defended by students. Intense excitement prevails. A conflict occurred this afternoon, the troops firing upon the queen's supporters, killing two and wounding many others. The premier this evening received a deputation of citizens, who asked him to intervene in the ex-queen's behalf.

THE ELKS.

LOUISVILLE. May 18.—The Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks has possession of Louisville. Today's formal meeting was held at Liederkranz hall, Exalted Grand Ruler Quinlan presiding. Governor Buckner welcomed the visitors for the state, and Mayor Tyler for the city. Responses were made by Past Grand Ruler E. Leech, of Columbus; Past Grand Ruler Will E. English, of Indianapolis, and others. E. B. Hayes, of Washington, D. C., was chosen permanent chairman, and chairman for the social session tonight, and the meeting adjourned till 3 o'clock. At that hour 2,000 Elks with numerous bands and several handsome floats paradbands and several handsome floats parad-ed. Tonight the social session opened with an address by Commonwealth's Ab-torney Frank Parson. of Louisville, upon the plan to found a widows' and orphans' home. This was followed by a grand ball.

THE BARNABY CASE. THE BARNABY CASE.

DENVER, Colo., May 18.—Dr. Graves was arrested this afternoon at 4 o'clock and taken to the county jail, where he will spend at least one night. Tomorrow he will have a hearing, when the question as to whether he will be admitted to bail or not will be decided. It is said upon good authority that Miss Sallie Hanley has also been indicted. It was thought that an indictment against Mrs. Graves had been found, and it is said that such was the case; but the grand jury, acting on the advice of District Attorney Stevens, reconsidered their action, not hav-Stevens, reconsidered their action, not having evidence enough to warrant it. The ing evidence enough to warrant it. The theory is that Mrs. Graves wrote the label on the bottle sent to Mrs. Barnaby, while Miss Hanley carried it to Boston and mail-

FOREST FIRES.

TEREA ALTA, W. Va., May 18.—Destructive forest fires have been raging in the mountains for a week. A tract of 5,000 acres north of here has been burned over and a number of farm houses destroyed. At Oakland the greatest alarm is felt as the town is almost entirely surrounded by the hypring forests. burning forests.

EX-MAYOR WILSON.

SEATTLE, Wash., 18 .- O. B. Wilson, exmayor of Great Bend, Kan., who is wanted there on the charge of embezzlement of a large sum of money, was arrested here last Tuesday, and has been shadowed for several days. He will be taken to Kansas as soon as requisition papers are received.

TERRITORIAL EDITORS.

Commercial club rooms at 4 p. m. Every portion of the two territories was represented. The ordinary and regular order of business was gone through with. H. T. Miller, of the Purcell Topic, and W. H. Thompson, of the Guthrie News, were selected as delegates to the meeting of the National Editorial association at St. Paul, in July. Tonight an informal reception was tendered the visitors, who were addressed by Gov. Steele, Chief Justice Green and Congressman Harvey. The territorial association will hold its next meeting in Guthrie, next May. Commercial club rooms at 4 p. m. Every next meeting in Guthrie, next May.

TROTTING HORSE FANCIERS. CHICAGO, May IS.—The American Trotting Register association held its first meeting this morning. Ex-Governor Norman J. Coleman, of Missouri, presided. W. H. Alien, of Pittsfield, Pa., was elected president; Frank S. Waters, vice president, and J. H. Steiner, secretary of the American Trotting association, secretary and register. Resolutions were adopted urging the consolidation of the National Trotting association, the American Trotting association and the American Trotting association and the American Trotting association and the American Trotng association and the American Trotting Register association.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., May 18.—Henry Letcher, a colored miner employed in the Riverside coal mine, was shot and almost instantly killed this evening by Isaac Fox, another coal miner. Four or five of the miners became engaged in an alternation over a trivial occurrence, and the msu who was killed was shot while leveling his pistol at a friend of the man who did the shooting. The latter escaped, and, up to a late hour tonight, has not been apprea late hour tonight, has not been appre-hended, though officers are in close our-suit. He started in the direction of Kansas City, and is supposed to be making for

KNICHTS OF HONOR. NEW ORLEANS, May 18—The Supreme lodge, Knights of Honor, today refused to limit the age of membership to 45 years. Blennial sessions were also voted down, and the delegates refused to raise their

Excursion to Hagerstown, Md: The Baltimore and Ohio railroad com-pany, the Baltimore and Southwestern railroad company, and the Ohio and Mississippi railroad company, and the Unio and Mis-sissippi railroad company will sell excur-sion tickets to Hagerstown, Maryland, and return, at the rate of one first class limit-ed fare for the round trip, on account of the annual meeting of German Haptists, to be held at Hagerstown, Md., May 28th to June 5th, 1891.

to June 5th, 1891.

From points west of Pittsburg, Wheeling and Parkersburg, these tickets will be on sale from May 20th to June 1st, inclusive, and will be good for return passage until June 30th, inclusive, with the privilege of one stop off west of the above named cities and one stop off east of the above named cities and one stop off east of the above named cities and the trip to Hager. above named cities, on the trip to Hagerstown, and the same privilege on the return trip. From Pittsburg, Wheeling, Parkersburg and points east of those cities, excursion tickets will be on sale from May 25th to June 5th, inclusive, and will be good

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nse, Balakireff; you need not waste your

breath, for I vow, on my word of honor,

that I will not grant what you are going

Quick as thought the ready witted jester

threw himself at the emperor's feet and said in an imploring tone, "I beseech you,

Piotr Alexeievitch (Peter, son of Alexis), do not pardon that rascal of a cousin of

Angry as he was the czar laughed in

spite of himself at this unlooked for turn-ing of the tables, and remitted the culprit's

sentence accordingly. But not long after this it came to Balakireff's own turn to fall

into disgrace, and Peter, in one of his characteristic bursts of rage, flercely bude the poor old jester "never to show his face on Russian soil again." But Balakireff's exile was not a long one,

for barely a week later the czar, who was then in his newly built capital of St. Pe-

tersburg, saw from his palace window the

banished man jogging coolly past in a cart

"Hollo, you rascal," cried Peter, "did I

not tell you never to show your face on

"Nor have I," replied the wag, with an soil, every bit of it, dug up on the other side of the Finland border."

Peter smiled grimly at the trick, but in

another moment the black frown which few men could face unmoved darkened his

sternly, "but it shall be Russian ere long!"

And only a few months later a fresh

stride in Peter's career of conquest made

He's Little but Powerful.

prince of Germany shows all the characteristics of a military disciplinarian. One

day recently when entering the palace at

kindness to surround them with soft,

smooth tissues only. They need variety,

200 yards. It is not fit for any other pur-

At the age of eight years the crown

"It may be Swedish soil now," said he

Russian soil again?"

good the pledge.

to ask!"

mine!"



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DISEASES OF WOMEN-Dr. Terrill has made DISEASES OF WOMEN-Dr. Terrill has made diseases of women a specialty for the past twenty years and wishes to state that he has all the intel Instruments, Batteries, Electrodes, etc., for their successful treatment, including Fibroid Tumors, Displacements, Balargements, Prolapus, Utcerations, Luccourboes, Diseases of the Ovaries, Painful irregular or Profuse Menstruation, Etc. Dr. Terrill has recently spent several months in the large hospitals of the east in the special study of electricity and is the only physician in the southwest thoroughly familiar with its scientific application.

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A FAMOUS PLAINSMAN. The First Man to Cross the Plains with

the Pony Express. [Special Correspondence.] ABILENE, Kan., May 5 .- Living quietly on his farm near Lexington, Mo., stout, sturdy and hale and hearty, Mr. S. T. Rannabarger enjoys without ostentation the honor of having been the first man to cross the plains from Fort Leavenworth, Kan., to Salt Lake City as a government mail carrier and express agent. In 1857 he was employed as driver, hauling supplies from Leavenworth to Santa Fe, N. M. His employers one day sent him out in charge of a train bound for California. Arrived at



S. T. BANNABARGER

ORLAHOMA CITY, Ok., May 18.—The Editorial association of Oklahoma and Indian territory met here today in the fiscated part of the goods and burned the the Rocky mountains, he found that the remainder. Rannabarger suffered also before the guard was turned out in his from the persecutions, and was compelled to give up his attempt. General Albert control of the soldiers had omitted to bring his rifle. The Sidney Johnston, then in command of the mountain division, sent him through on be punished for his breach of discipline, horseback with dispatches for Brigham Young. Arriving at Salt Lake he was held a prisoner, and was only released when Johnston retaliated on the Mor-

Johnston then wished to send dispatches to Washington, and upon Rannabarger's and it is an important incident to a baby return deputed him to carry them to Leav- when his hands come in contact with a This he did, making the perilous new substance. trip from Fort Bridger, 113 miles east of Sait Lake, over mountain and plain, en-tirely alone. His report of the trip to his cotton that comes in spools of a thousand principals caused them to conceive the idea | yards each for live cents. This basting cotof a pony express, and when they offered ton is not only cheaper, but it is fine and Rannabarger the position of messenger, to not as tightly woven, and therefore better make regular trips between Fort Leaven- adapted to its purpose than thread that is worth and Salt Lake City, he accepted the better made and costs five cents a spool of

proposition.

The contractors who had undertaken to pose, however. deliver the United States mail added this to Rannabarger's duties, paying him \$65.50 a month in addition to the five dollars a day received from the government, and defraying all expenses. He rode a mule the first trip. He had a large saddle, which became a pillow by night. He carried two blankets, a pair of pistols, a bowie knife and a small leather pouch in which were the mail and express packages. When he had gone as far in a day as he and his mule could stand he would turn the animal out to graze, wrap himself in his blanket, pilground, in which case he rode all night and caught a nap in the sunlight of the follow-

ing morning.

After the first trip arrangements were made for the exchange of mules at Platte City and Fort Laramie, and he was given the privilege, in case his animal gave out of buying another at government expense This he did but once. Often he spent a Both the method and results when night in an Indian village, always keeping Syrup of Figs is taken; it is pleasant on friendly terms with the redskins. He made the first trip in twenty-two days, and on the return trip met the second man sent out by his employers. He rode regularly Liver and Bowels, cleanses the sysumul July, 1838, seeing the successful estab-tem effectually, dispels colds, headlishment of the great pony express system aches and fevers and cures habitual from his small beginning of a year pre-

After some further years of wandering on the frontier he finally settled down on a handsome section of Missouri land, where, surrounded by his family, he still CHARLES MOREAU HARGER

A Jest That Became Earnest. The old saying that "a king's juster is fied in the case of Peter the Great's famous court buffoon, Balakireff, who more than once took such liberties with his formidand had been sentenced to a severe punishment, no one during to show any interest.

in him save Balakireff himself, who at once made his appearance before the of-fended czar to beg mercy for the culprit.

CALIFO The moment Peter saw the well known figure coming up the hall he guessed his

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